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1. [ ] 20 deep-sea tanker barges were loaded with paraffin in the Lobau oil harbor prior to leaving with their cargo for Reni, USSR. The loading continued day and night.

2. The tank barges were formerly German-owned and were taken over by the USSR at the end of the war. They are of the German "WT"-Type and have a loading capacity of approximately 900 tons.<sup>1</sup>

1. [ ] Comment: These tanker barges are normally employed on the Black Sea and on the Danube only as far as Giurgiu. 50X1-HUM

[ ] Comment: The shipment of 18,000 tons of paraffin may be an indication of a shortage of jet fuel in the USSR. 50X1-HUM

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